

#### CLAIMS

1. An information input and output device for communicating information with an information recording unit of a card, comprising:

a card support unit that includes a card support surface for sliding the card while supporting the card from one surface side;

a card end unit that includes a card end surface provided to protrude from the card support surface; and

an input and output executing unit that is arranged to face the information recording unit of the card when the card is slid on the card support surface while abutting the card against the card end surface, and that executes at least one of reading of the information from the information recording unit and writing of the information to the information recording unit.

2. The information input and output device according to claim 1, wherein the card support surface extends horizontally.

3. The information input and output device according to claim 2, wherein the card end unit is arranged in a back portion of the card support surface and the card end surface extends in a right-left direction from a viewpoint of a user who uses the information input and output device.

4. The information input and output device according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the card end surface exceeds an edge of the card support surface and extends toward a rear surface side of the card support surface in a portion of an intersection between the card support surface and the card end surface.

5. The information input and output device according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the card support surface consists of a translucent material, and the input and output executing unit is arranged to face the card information recording unit from a rear surface side of the card support unit.

6. The information input and output device according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the card support surface consists of a methacrylic resin.

7. The information input and output device according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the card support surface consists of a methacrylic resin having an antistatic property of 0.1 seconds or less in a testing method specified in JIS L-1094.

8. The information input and output device according to claim 7, wherein an acrylic resin that constitutes

the card support surface has a surface hardness corresponding to a pencil hardness equal to or higher than five H, the pencil hardness being specified in JIS D-0202.

9. A game machine having the information input and output device according to any one of claims 1 to 9 provided to an operation panel unit.

10. An information input and output device for communicating information with an information recording unit of a card, comprising:

a card support unit that includes a card support surface for sliding the card while supporting the card from one surface side; and

an input and output executing unit that executes at least one of reading of the information from the information recording unit of the card sliding across the card support surface and writing of the information to the information recording unit of the card sliding across the card support surface, wherein

the card support surface consists of a methacrylic resin having an antistatic property of 0.1 seconds or less in a testing method specified by JIS L-1094.

11. The information input and output device according to claim 10, wherein the acrylic resin that constitutes

the card support surface has a surface hardness corresponding to a pencil hardness equal to or higher than five H, pencil hardness being specified in JIS D-0202.